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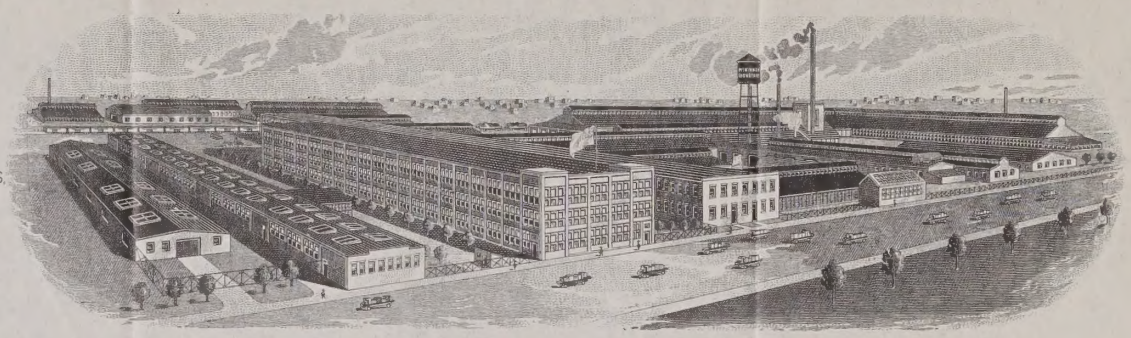

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December 9th:1919.

Sir Robert Falconer,
President,
University of Toronto, Toronto.

Dear Sir Robert Falconer,

Our Committee having been advised by Mr. Scully that you have most generously consented to come here and address us at our Inaugural Dinner at the Welland House on the evening of Tuesday, January 6th, have asked me to write definitely confirming the date and thank you most cordially on behalf of the Association.

We understand that Archdeacon Cody will probably accompany you, and we are naturally delighted at the prospect.

It is barely possible that one of our distinguished graduates, the Honorable Arthur Meighan, may also be able to attend. Perhaps a line from you urging that he throw his influence into the scale with us and speak to University graduates about their debt to the Community and how they may repay it by public service, would induce him to consent.

Hoping to see you on the occasion mentioned, which will be the first real meeting of our Membership,

I am,

Yours faithfully,

For the University of Toronto Association.

W. A. MacKinnon

President.

December 10th, 1918

W. A. McKinnon, Esq.,
St. Catharines, Ont.

Dear Mr. McKinnon:

I have noted that January 6th is suitable for you and the Alumni of St. Catharines for the dinner in order to inaugurate the War Memorial Campaign. Mr. Scully arranged with Archdeacon Cody to be present also. I am looking forward with much pleasure to meeting you again.

Yours sincerely,

President.

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January 3rd, 1920

W. A. Mackinnon, Esq.,
147 Ontario Street,
St. Catharines, Ont.

Dear Mr. Mackinnon:

Will you please thank Mrs. Mackinnon for her kind invitation to stay with you on Tuesday night, January 6th. It gives me much pleasure to accept, and I look forward to being with you.

I will take your advice and leave Toronto by the 1:25 Grand Trunk train.

Wishing you and yours a happy New Year,

I am,

Yours sincerely,

President.

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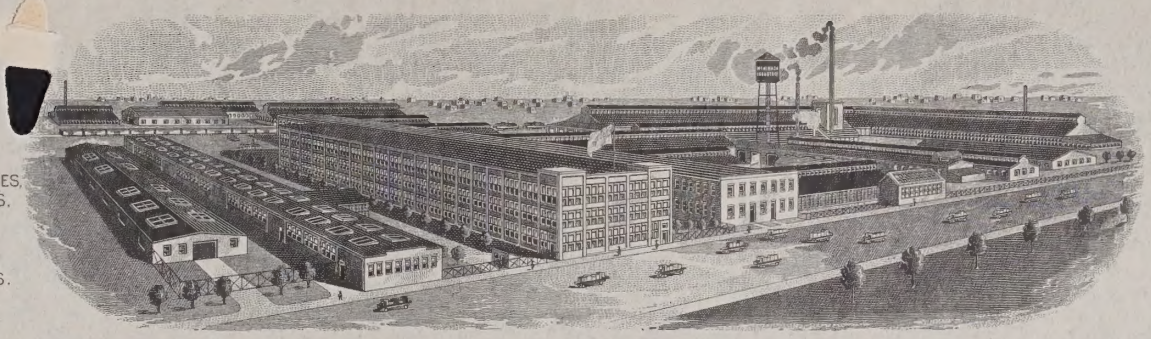

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February 21st., 1920

Sir Robert Falconer, LL.D.
President,
University of Toronto.
Toronto.

Dear Sir Robert Falconer,

I feel guilty about the delay in putting through our Memorial Campaign here.

As you perhaps know a special Committee took this up under the Chairmanship of Mr. G. B. Burson, a barrister most highly esteemed. The first steps were taken during my absence from the City and I fully expected would be followed up.

Having a letter from Mr Gibson to the effect that that Committee ought to have the help of Mr. Kingstone and myself I passed it on to the Committee, placing myself unreservedly at their disposal.

A preliminary letter was sent out to all graduates and many others likely to be interested, indicating that they would be called upon shortly - this also happened in my absence. There was naturally no response as the individual canvassers were expected to follow up. There appears to have been difficulty in obtaining such canvassers owing to a great reluctance to continue that sort of thing which was so long urgently necessary for War purposes. Everyone is willing to give and support the movement, but not to solicit subscriptions. That is the position explained to me by Mr. Burson, Mr. Kingstone and Mr. Coombs on my return to the City from a second absence.

That brought us to the moment when the Forward Movement Campaign was on and when an Educative Campaign preliminary to a membership drive for the new Chamber of Commerce was already under way. Obviously we could not get to work under those conditions. My belief is that the City and County will respond and will get provide their quota of $10,000. I propose calling the Committee together as soon as the Chamber of Commerce Campaign is over.

Having been asked to address the Associated Manufacturers & Merchants early next ~~month~~ week on the subject of Education I should very much appreciate any material you could send me in support of my thesis, which

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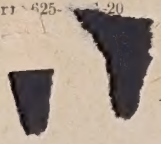

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Sir Robert Falconer.

will be that business and the universities should get closer together and cooperate, or to state it more fairly, that manufacturers and business men should call the universities and colleges to their aid, and contribute largely towards making such aid effective.

Can you send me good photographs, exterior and interior, of Hart House, to be shown at the meeting, accompanied by figures showing the cost and a comprehensive statement of the uses to which the building is being put - the object being to use Hart House as an object lesson and inspiration. Possibly you have some notes covering the substance of your admirable address in St. Catharines. They would be a great help.

Thanking you in anticipation, and with personal regards,

I am,

Yours faithfully,

W a mac Kinnon

February 24th, 1920

H. A. MacKinnon, Esq.,
St. Catharines, Ont.

Dear Mr. MacKinnon:

Sir Robert has not been in his office for something over two weeks, owing to an attack of bronchitis, aggravated by coming out too soon to attend two meetings a fortnight ago.

He will be glad to hear of the progress of the War Memorial Campaign in your County.

I am sorry I shall be unable to obtain from his notes of his address in St. Catharines in time for your use as he will not be able to be out of bed until at least the end of this week. I have inquired from the University Photographer and he has no photographs of Hart House. Perhaps by applying direct to the Warden of Hart House you might be able to obtain the details as to cost, that is entirely under the Massey Foundation.

Under separate cover I am sending a copy of the Report of the British Committee on Industrial Research, which may be of use to you in preparing your address.

Yours sincerely,

President's Secretary.